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Governors' Meeting
May 20, 2009
BPA Headquarters (Portland)

Meeting called to order by: Meeting was called to order by Steve Cramer at 12:15.

Executive Board Members in attendance: Steve Cramer, President, Mollie Gratrek, Vice President; Dana Murray, Secretary; Jeffrey Gaskin, Treasurer

Past Presidents Recognition: Geri Kozicki

Also in attendance: Michelle Walker, Claudia Perot, Alicia Mendenhall, Rena Brooks, Jamey Winchester, Lily Chen.

Minutes of last meeting: Geri Kozicki made a motion to approve the minutes, and Jamey Winchester seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Jeffrey handed out the report. Geri Kozicki made a motion to approve the report, and Mollie Gratrek seconded the motion.

PROGRAM REPORTS:

Associates Foundation (Cherie Long – PTM-5, (503-230-3147):

No report

Blood Drive (Marcella Renner – KEW-4, (503-230-4981)

(Nancy Spencer – PGP-5, (503-230-4244):

The next blood drive will be held July 13th.

Book Fairs (Nancy C. Mabe – TEC-CSB-1, (360) 619-6283):

The next book fair is June 18th and 19th at HQ.

Caring and Sharing (Connie Register – KSB-6 (503) 230-5814):

No report.

Craft Bazaar (Angela Dowling – JM-3, (503) 230-3642):

The next craft bazaar is scheduled for fall 2009. There will not be a spring bazaar.

President, Steve Cramer <> Vice President, Mollie Gratrek <> Secretary, Dana Murray <> Treasurer, Jeff Gaskin

College Scholarship (Claudia Perot -- JCD-5 (503)230-3754):

There were 16 applicants this year. Applications have been given to the professors to evaluate in mid-June, and the scholarships will be awarded in July. It was noted that Associates governors do not decide who receives the scholarships, but it would be helpful to know how the professors come to a decision, and what the process is.

Entertainment Book (Sandi Pierce – TEC-SCB-1, (360) 619-6285):

These are all sold, until new books come out in the fall of 2009.

Food Drive (Mira Vowles – KLH-1, (503) 230-4796):

The next food drive will be June 24 through July 17.

Fundraising (Dana Murray – KSC-4, (503) 230-4336):

Applications are coming in for the fundraiser: “Third Annual Art by the Park” on June 24, 2009. The deadline for application entries is June 10th. On the BPA Talent Show fundraiser: Michelle Walker distributed a revised flyer of the Talent Show. She needs people to help with publicizing, recruiting talent, orchestrating rehearsals, stage hands during the show, and miscellaneous duties. She also needs judges and a show host. If you would like to help or attend the next meeting, contact her at (503)-230-3482.

Group Events (Chérie Long - PTM-5, (503) 230-3147):

No report

Medical Equipment (Cherie Long – PTM-5, (503)-230-3147):

No report

Membership (Jamey Winchester – NHP-1, (503) 230-3789):

Jamey finished the membership database, and would like to thank Lily Chen for her assistance in completing it. The database link was emailed to all governors, along with instructions on how to run reports. She is working with HR on providing a free one year membership to new hires. We need governors in Fish and Wildlife in the 911 building and in other outside organizations. It was noted that it would be good to have an Associates governor attend the new employee meetings, with Associate membership information.

Membership – Retirees (Rena Brooks – DB-3, (503) 230-4431):

No report

Notary (Rena Brooks – DB-3, (503) 230-4431):

Rena completed over 100 notaries, but almost all of them were rate case affidavits.

Sports (Kirsten Kler – KT-1, (503) 230-4411):

No report

Watts News (Kirsten Kler – KT-1, (503) 230-4411):

Kirsten is talking with Public Affairs to get Watts News electronically distributed, instead of a paper copy, which would help significantly with postage and printing costs.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Associates' Summer picnic will not be held this year, mainly due to a lack of an individual to lead the effort, and general lack of volunteers. However, in its place will be member appreciation events' this year.

Steve Cramer discussed expanding our charter to include assistance to charities.

NEW BUSINESS:

Attendance Drawing: Dana Murray won the door prize, but will be donating it back for someone else to win at next month's meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

The next Governor's meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2009, at BPA Headquarters in Portland, Room 470 from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m. The bridge line is ext. 3344, passcode 2488#.

Respectfully submitted,
Dana Murray, Secretary